

SEMI-WEEKLY SOUTH KENTUCKIAN.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1885.

Five laborers were suffocated by foul gas while working in a sewer in Chicago Thursday.

Six persons were killed and 27 wounded by a boiler explosion at Brazil, Ind., last week.

In Newark, N. J., Annie McLaughlin, a 14-year-old girl, skated on roller skates until she dropped dead of paralysis of the heart.

Wm. Ray, an escaped lunatic from Seneca Falls, N. Y., who claimed to have a divine commission to assassinate President Cleveland, was arrested at St. Louis Thursday.

The army register puts the aggregate strength of the organized militia of the several States at 87,674 and the number of unorganized men available for military duty at 6,797,606.

A snow slide buried the town of Alta, Utah, last Friday. Fifteen persons were buried under the avalanche. The loss of property was about \$165,000. Two dead bodies had been recovered at last accounts.

CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 14.—La Patria this morning vouches for the truth of the phenomenon of a woman of this city giving birth to seven children in one day. All died, but the mother lives.

Miss Eva Mackey, the young American heiress, whose portrait recently appeared in this paper, was married at Paris, France, last Wednesday to Prince Colonna, of Italy. The bride is worth \$100,000,000 in cool cash.

Capt. Theodore C. Tracie, a well-known journalist, has purchased the Louisville Sunday Argus and will change it to an eight page paper next Sunday and make substantial improvements in its get-up. Capt. Tracie will be the editor himself and will undertake to put the Argus in a special field.

Gov. Knott has declined to interfere in the case of Wm. Neal and he will be hanged at Grayson, Feb. 27. Five juries have found Neal guilty, although the evidence against him is wholly circumstantial. He is the last of the Ashland murderers.

Wilbur Peters and Miss Laura Chester were engaged to be married at Wooster, Ohio, but the girl broke off the engagement in a lover's quarrel. Last Tuesday night, the time which had been set for the wedding, as Miss Chester was leaving a skating rink with another young man, Peters stepped up and fatally shot her and then blew out his own brains.

The editor of the Breckenridge News is evidently not in love with Gen. "Sarah Gordy" Williams, judging from the following:

"We have it from the best authority that Gen. Williams intends to enter the field once more for the gubernatorial stakes. It really seems that nothing but death will permanently quell the arrogant and pestilent old demagogue, who has already been honored far beyond his deserts."

Miss Cleveland, sister of the President-elect, who will be mistress of the White House in a few days, is thus described:

"She is a lady of distinguished appearance, of high culture and intelligence, dignity and perfect self poise. She will preside over the White House superbly. She is a strong and interesting woman. She has fair hair, which is soft, short and curly, and nice, poetical blue eyes. She possesses a distinct knowledge of the fine arts, and she illuminates her conversation with a refined and vivacious play of features. I am sure she is the sort of a woman one would like to have for a friend."

The American Machinist publishes letters from 91 new members of the next House of Representatives, placing themselves on record on the tariff question. The New York Sun copies the list and calls attention to the fact that 79 of the 91 declare for a protective tariff, and that these added to the 88 protectionists re-elected give 167 or a majority of 9 against tariff reform, conceding all of the non-committal members to be in favor of a reduction of the tariff. It is to be hoped that this conclusion is erroneous and will be so found when the next House is organized. The number given embraces all the Republican members and only a small minority of the Democrats.

Near Springfield, Illinois, last week Miss Mary Cox, a well-known young lady, died from an over-dose of morphine administered through mistake. The night following her burial persistent howling of dogs at her grave attracted attention. The next day the grave was opened, and to the horror of all it was found that the girl had been buried alive. The lining was torn from the sides of the casket, and the pillow was in shreds. The poor girl had literally stripped the clothing from her body. Her hands and arms were torn and bleeding. Her lips were bitten through, and handfuls of hair were torn from her head. She had come to life and had evidently made a fearful struggle to escape. The awful affair fills the community with horror.

HORRIBLE!

ANOTHER ASYLUM BURNED WITH FEARFUL LOSS OF LIFE.

Over Twenty Bodies Recovered and Probably as Many More in the Ruins.

SIX HUNDRED MANIACS TURNED HALF-CLAD INTO THE FREEZING STREETS.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13.—That portion of the Philadelphia Almshouse Hospital set apart for the insane was burned to the ground last night. From twenty-five to forty insane patients, most of them in the violent department, perished in the flames. There were 684 insane persons in the building, many of whom were rescued almost suffocated by the smoke. The names of the dead who have been identified are: James Burke, Thomas Jones, John Koehler, John Herriges, Franklin Dechon, John Lyden, Charles Scott (colored), Edward Murphy, Charles Nottenberger, Michael Ruth, Robert Cummings, John Durger, James McCoy, Philip Newberger, Charles O'Brien, Thos. Rusk, Jacob Glassman and Francis Smith.

Two charred bodies are in the dead house unidentified.

The dead house presents an awful appearance. Ranged in rows upon the floor and on rude benches are the remains of the unfortunate lunatics. Some are charred beyond recognition, while others are in a well preserved state, having evidently died of suffocation.

Many more inmates of the insane department, who have not yet been found, are supposed to be covered in the burning ruins. The number of the dead may amount to thirty or forty.

Coroner Powers states that the inquest into the disaster will be held on Tuesday or Wednesday next. A rigid investigation will be made, and a special jury summoned to inquire into all the phases of the horrible calamity. Arrangements have been made with the authorities of the house of correction of this city, and the State insane hospitals to give shelter to the more than 600 patients who were inmates of the burned building.

When the fire broke out Wm. Strange, John Hayes, Thos. Kane and Joseph Schoder were the keepers on duty. Mrs. Umstead, the housekeeper, was in the women's department making her nightly round. Joseph Nudane, a weak minded inmate, was coming down stairs when he saw the smoke. He yelled "fire," and ran through the corridors calling on the inmates to save themselves. Hayes, Strange, Kane, Schoder and Nudane set about liberating the insane people. Help came from the half-hundred able bodied paupers who act as night firemen in the engine house. On the third floor, where the fire started, the rescuers were driven back by the intense heat and smoke. In the violent ward, where forty-five inmates were confined, it is feared that all were lost.

Commercial: In the nine years during which the people of Muhlenberg county have resisted the payment of their railroad debt the accumulation of interest has doubled the debt, which now amounts to two-thirds of the taxable value of the county. After a few more years of such management all the property in Muhlenberg cannot be sold for enough to free the county of debt. The Owensboro Messenger thus describes the county's condition: "The bridges are down, the culverts washed out, the roads are horrible, the county officers have no salaries, property has depreciated, men of capital have moved away, others who have been inclined to locate there on account of the natural advantages of the county have been deterred from doing so, and the business and social affairs of the community are almost in chaos." The Muhlenberg county bonds are again a subject of litigation and the result probably will be to teach the people that paying debts is cheaper than repudiation, but that the avoidance of public debts is best of all.

Poor Mr. Tilden, trembling with palsy and ready for the grave, has suddenly become a tower of strength for Democracy—their cloud by day, and their pillar of fire by night. With a touch from his feeble fingers a dozen Cabinet pyramids are overthrown. His dying whisper, breathed into the ear of the President-elect, changes the whole policy of the incoming administration. No important move is made upon the political chessboard without his advice, and yet four years ago he was sent to the rear by his party with characteristic ingratitude. Mr. Tilden is too old a politician not to improve this opportunity. The cards are coming his way at last, and he has a great many scores to settle.—Commercial.

Bud Egbert died at Frankfort Monday, from stabs received at the hands of Tom Dawson, col., three weeks before.

The report of the Commissioners of the Kentucky Institution for the education and training of Feeble-minded Children for the year ending October 1, 1884, shows that the number of children in the institution at that date was 154. During the year five had died and five were dismissed. The industrial departments are self-sustaining. Health of children at date of report good. The financial condition of the institution is given: Receipts.....\$29,634.27 Disbursements.....29,631.03 Balance.....\$ 3.24

KENTUCKY KNOWLEDGE

Harrodsburg is to have a skating rink.

A \$20,000 college is to be established at Mayfield.

The Semi-Weekly Union Local grows better each issue.

A "faith cure" hospital has been established at Richmond.

J. W. Bell, of Shelbyville, has gone to Holland to import a lot of Holstein cattle.

In Nelson county a farmer named Hardin Hill shot and killed his wife on account of jealousy.

The tobacco barn of J. P. China, near Harrodsburg, was burned by an incendiary one night last week.

Wm. M. Smith's residence at Mayfield was destroyed by fire last week. Loss \$4,000; insurance \$2,500.

Mrs. Wm. Grinstead, of Somerset, caught her dress on fire from an open fire-place and was fatally burned.

Mr. Lew B. Brown, a reporter of the Louisville Times, was married Wednesday to Miss Emma Struby.

Jesse Eastwood, of Boyd county, has just been paid a back pension of \$10,452.30 and given an order for \$72 a month during his life.

At Mt. Sterling, Gertrude Evans, a little daughter of Chas. Evans, caught her clothes on fire and was perhaps fatally burned.

John Graham, the English athlete, defeated Duncan C. Ross in a wrestling match in Louisville last week, for \$200 a side and the door receipts.

Mrs. Elijah Burdine, aged 35, was burned to death in Jassamine county. She caught her clothing on fire while standing near an open fire-place.

At a dance near Somerset, A. J. Hansforth shot and fatally wounded Jas. Mulany, who was just out of the penitentiary, having served a term for murder. Hansforth pleads self-defense.

The wife and child of Wm. Dudgeon, a young Hart county farmer, died last Wednesday and the young man deliberately suicided by cutting his throat. The three bodies were buried in one coffin.

Richmond is excited over a matrimonial sensation. Miss Lizzie Chenuit was announced to wed Rev. H. T. Daniels on Thursday. The expected groom had engaged two ministers to officiate and had bought two tickets to New Orleans, but the lady went back on him and the day she was to have married Rev. Daniels, she wedded Daniel Harber, a young farmer, instead.

Some enterprising people of Richmond, Ky., are taking steps to import a number of domestic laborers from England to serve as cooks, house servants, etc. Lexington ladies have imported English girls at a cost of \$36 each, to whom they pay \$6 per month. The price of the passage is being deducted from the wages of the first year. In neatness of person, willingness to work and devotion to duty these English domestics are said to be unsurpassed.—Harrodsburg Democrat.

Wickliffe Journal: A singular freak of nature is shown in the case of Polly George, a lady well known to many citizens, who lives two miles from Milburn in this county. Mrs. G. is 76 years old, the mother and the grandmother of a large family in the county. During her life she has cut and shed her teeth twice, and now has commenced to cut the third set, having cut four teeth within the past month—two above and two below. She did also, a little over a year ago, shed her hair, which was white with age, and it is now replaced by a suit of black hair with an occasional silver thread only.

In certain counties in Eastern Kentucky scores of girls are said to marry at the age of twelve or thirteen years, and by the time they should first be thinking of sweethearts are often mothers of large families. A recent traveler who went through much of the country on foot says that men, too, as soon as they can raise cash enough to put up a cabin and buy stuff enough to make a living on if possible, are ready to assume the duties, trials and cares of married life, and many of them find wives before their beard begins to sprout, or before they know where the money is to come from to buy food for the wedding feast.

Col. Thomas Buford, brother of Gen. Abe Buford, and the slayer of Judge Elliott, of the Court of Appeals, died Friday morning at the Anchorage lunatic asylum, after a long illness of chronic disease. It will be remembered that Buford shot and killed Judge Elliott for rendering an adverse decision against Buford's sister in a case involving considerable property. After a most sensational trial, that has become celebrated, Buford was adjudged a lunatic and sent to the asylum, from which he escaped, going across the river to Indiana, where he lived about a year, hunting and fishing, the asylum officials being unable, under the law, to bring him back to Kentucky. Without friends or money, Buford grew sick, and finally was forced by want to go back to the asylum, where he remained until his death. It is only six years since he killed Judge Elliott, but in that time Buford saw his family lose all their property, and the trouble of his brother was undoubtedly the cause of the suicide of the noted turman, Gen. Abe Buford, who killed himself last summer.

The Henderson Reporter says Zeno Young and C. C. Givens, of Madisonville, are talking of starting a new paper in that town soon.

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BRAN—75c per cwt.

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Pork—\$1 to 10c net; to grow.

Bacon—Clear sides, 11 to 12c; hams, 13 to 14c.

Sugar cured, 12c; shoulders, 10 to 11c.

Lard—Country, 10 to 11c; snowflake, 12c.

GROCERIES.

Coffee—Choice, 15 to 16c; prime, 12c to 15c.

Sugar—Standard granulated, 7c to 8c; powdered, 11c to 12c; coffee A, 7c to 8c; rural C, 6c to 7c; extra C, 5c to 6c; New Orleans, 6c.

Molasses—45 to 50c.

Syrups—15 to 20c; eggs, 1.75 to \$2.00.

Soap—For box, White Mountain, \$5.75; Blue India, \$5.25; Irish, \$5.50; S. B. \$5.00.

Oil—Lard oil 7c; kerosene, 12c.

Oysters—Per dozen, 1-lb cans, full weight, \$1.15; 2-lb, full weight, \$2.10; 1-lb, light weight, \$1.05; 2-lb, light weight, \$2.05; 1-lb, extra, \$1.00; 2-lb, extra, \$2.00; 1-lb, extra, \$1.00; 2-lb, extra, \$2.00.

Nails—3.00 24, 25c additional smaller sizes.

Soda 6 to 10c.

Candles—18 to 20c.

Coal oil 15 to 20c; Turpentine 50c.

CANNED GOODS.

Corn, doz, \$1.25 to 1.50; Tomatoes 1.00 to 1.25.

Pine Apples 2.00 to 4.50; Peas 1.50; Strawberries 1.50; Blackberries 1.50; Peaches 2.00 to 2.50.

Pickles, per gal, 50c.

Cheese—Factory 12c to 15c; Young American 18 to 20c; N. Y. Cheddar 17c to 20c.

Oranges 50c per doz.

Lemons 25c per doz.

Teas—Choice to Fancy 65c to 1.00; Mixed to good 50c to 75c.

Chewing Tobacco—Greenleaf 57 to 58c; Gravelly 50 to 70c; Stonewall 40 to 50c. Havana Clippings for smoking 55c to 100c per package.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Blackberry Pies \$2.00 to 2.25.

Potatoes—Irish 75c; N. Y. State Early Rose 1.50 lb.; 1.20 lb.

Eggs 25c.

WISKEY.

Nelson County Bourbon 3.50 gal.; Anderson County Bourbon 3.00; Monarch Davies 2.25; Tennessee—Woodson's make, Sour Mash 1.60; 2-lb; Brown's Robertson County 1.50 to 2.25.

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It is ordered that this order be published in the SOUTH KENTUCKIAN, a newspaper published in Hopkinsville, Ky., of length of time prescribed by law.

Witness my hand as Clerk of said Court, this 2nd day of February 1885.

R. T. UNDERWOOD, C. C. C.

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